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OLD MANUSCRIPT.

Here is a "free-verse" poem, entitled "Old Manuscript," by Alfred Kreyenborg, in Harriet Monroe's magazine, Poetry, for February.

"The sky
Is that beautiful old parchment
In which the sun
And the moon
Keep their diary.
To read it all
One must be a liguist
More learned than Father Wisdom.
And a visionary
More clairvoyant than Mother Dream.
But to feel it
One must be an apostle:
One who is more than intimate
In having been, always,
The only confidant
Like the Earth
Or the Sea."

OUR INTERESTS ARE WITH PORTLAND

ASTORIA is not materially interested in the development of this port or that port, but we are interested in any opportunity for a reduction of freight rates.

Therefore this section will eagerly watch developments in the common point rate issue to see what the future has in store. Meanwhile the East Oregonian will venture the prophecy that in due time Portland will have a lower rate than either the sound cities or Astoria.

This prediction is based on the idea that the governing principle with reference to rates must ultimately be the cost of service. It is natural law and it is justice. It is a principle the commerce commission has been recognizing more and more. It was on the strength of this basic principle that the commission was asked to give a common point rate to Astoria. It is but fair the same yardstick should be used in determining the rate to Portland and if so then a reduction must be made so as to give Portland the true fruits of its geographical position.

Of course even should Portland secure lower rates from the interior, Astoria would have the advantage of a cheaper ocean haul through being saved the 100 mile river trip. However, it may be expected that Astoria's advantage in that respect will not equal the margin deserved by Portland on the haul from the interior. To argue otherwise would be to assume that freight may be hauled by rail from Portland to Astoria cheaper than it can be taken down stream aboard an ocean ship.

Any such assumption would be absurd. Therefore it may be seen that if this matter is to be worked out upon the merits of the case, the cost of service being the governing principle, Portland will obtain a lower rate than the sound cities or Astoria.

Until such a decision can be obtained from the interstate commerce commission it is probable Portland can protect her interests through use of boats on the Columbia or by obtaining a lower intrastate rate from the O. W. R. & N.

Whatever the procedure may be it is certain Portland is going to make a mighty effort for a lower grain rate than is now given any northwest city and it will be logical for inland empire people, being interested in lower rates, to support them in their campaign.

THE FORTUNATE SHEEP-MEN

BOSTON reports show considerable wool has been contracted in Nevada and Montana at prices two cents above the prices given for the same wool last spring. The prices are not only better for coarse wool, for which there is a war demand, but for fine wool as well.

The opening of the market is favorable to the growers and we have promise of good prices to make up for the extraordinary amount of feed expense this winter.

If there is anything in the "full dinner pail" theory of politics the western wool-growers should be shouting loud for the reelection of Wilson.

THE CHILD'S REASONING FACULTY

"OFTEN a child in the home is regarded as rebellious," says a writer in the March Woman's Home Companion, "when it is merely trying to adjust its reason to the demands made by the parent. It argues, objects, finds fault, and is difficult to manage, and parents do not understand that the difficulty lies in the fact that the child has an unusually well-developed reasoning faculty, and probably a vigorous body as well. Such a child needs training, not punishment."

WHERE INSURANCE IS NEEDED

NEWS of the Northern Pacific wreck at South Cheney Sunday carried the interesting item that Professor Fulmer, one of the victims, had taken out a \$25,000 travellers accident policy just before boarding the train. It indicates good judgment on the part of the professor and also a familiarity with the frequency of train wrecks in eastern Washington. It is getting so that it is a dull week that does not bring forth some sort of a fatal smash-up over in that region. What is the matter with their "safety first" measures?

It must be unpleasant to participate in a long war and never know whether you are to be killed before breakfast or at a later hour in the day.

CANNING PLANT FOR LA GRANDE PLANNED

LA GRANDE, Ore., Feb. 19.—A movement is on foot for a large canning plant to be operated in La Grande. Investigation has begun and if it is shown that it will pay a canning factory will be put up. It will be the object of the concern to can corn, peas, beans and other vegetables. A small canning concern as an adjunct is likely. It was shown that 50,000 cases of corn and 50,000 cases of peas are used in this territory.

The inhabitants of China are counted every year in a curious manner. The oldest master of every 10 houses has to count the families and make a list which is sent to the imperial tax house.

GREAT UHLAN IS RETIRED AT LAST



UHLAN.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.—C. K. Billings, the famous New York millionaire and sportsman, has confirmed the reports received here from time to time, that Uhlán, 1:58, the greatest trotter the light harness world has ever known, has been definitely retired from further speed tests.

According to Mr. Billings, who owns the horse, the black gelding will rest on his laurels of the world's record mile in 1:58, a quarter in 27 seconds, a half in 56 1-4 seconds, and a number of other performances that stand as world's records. In the future Billings will use Uhlán as a saddle horse. The son of Bingham is now 12 years old, but still retains his fleetness of foot.

RED CROSS SHOWS MODEL OF FULLY EQUIPPED FIELD HOSPITAL



MODEL OF RED CROSS HOSPITAL.

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This model of a fully equipped hospital is being exhibited in Washington, D. C., in the present campaign for new members. The model soon will be taken to New York as a campaign

in behalf of the Red Cross Society will be started there. Much interest is being manifested in the exhibit because of the large number of Americans who are participating in Red

Cross work during the present European struggle in Europe. Many of the most prominent society folk in the national capital are helping in the membership campaign.

MASQUERADE BALL AT UKIAH IS SUCCESS; PRIZES ARE GIVEN

AFFAIR IS HELD AT KIRK'S HALL IS ATTENDED BY A LARGE CROWD.

Supper is served afterwards—Snow is going show and all danger of bridges being damaged has passed—United Artisans Give Valentine Party—Other News.

(East Oregonian Special.)

UKIAH, Ore., Feb. 22.—The masquerade ball at Kirk's hall Monday night was attended by a large crowd. And about 9:30 about 25 maskers marched into the hall, much to the amusement of the large crowd of spectators. Two prizes were to be given, and the ladies' prize was awarded Blanch Hollin who represented an old lady, and the second prize was divided between Lile Hollin, representing an old man, and Lester Hollin as a tramp. Supper was served by Fred Peterson and wife.

The snow is going so slow that all worry over the bridges going out has ceased and people feel greatly relieved, as it would have been of great inconvenience to many who bring cream to the creamery.

Mrs. Alex McKenzie is ill at her home in Ukiah.

Carl Kirk, who has been spending several weeks in Pendleton, returned to Ukiah Saturday night.

Harry Depew and son Kenneth, of Ritter, came over Monday with a bunch of horses and with A. Bolin they left for Pendleton Wednesday with the horses which they will place on the market for sale.

Charles Hynd and wife and John Ewing were in Ukiah Tuesday from the Hynd ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Weatherford of Albi were Ukiah visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitaker who have a homestead near Range, and have been spending the winter at Free-water are at the Peterson hotel. They have been on the road between Free-water and Ukiah over three weeks.

Accident Haunts Driver.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Carl M. Emmerich, the 22-year-old chauffeur who was acquitted last week of a charge of manslaughter after the motor truck which he drove had killed 4-year-old Barbara Hildt, daughter of Howard J. Hildt of No. 208 West Eighty-sixth street, will never drive an automobile again, according to his counsel, Alexander Mayner.

Mr. Mayner said that Emmerich asked that his license be returned to the secretary of state, with the re-

others, and upon them fell the task of rescuing their playmates. The most trouble was experienced with Edith and Edna Patton, especially Edith, who was held down by ice, she had sunk twice before she was finally pulled to safety by Manfred. The children had to run about a quarter of a mile before they could remove their clothing, but all seem healthy and without ill effects today.

Glen and Edith are son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Patton. May and Edna daughters of John Patton and the Duckert children, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Duckert, who live nearer the park.

Loss of Appetite

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quest that another never be granted to him.

Besides the girl who was killed, her sister and their nurse were badly injured.

"Emmerich came to my office" said Mr. Mayner, "and said he could not get the scene out of his mind. He said the face of the dead girl was always before him, that he could not sleep, and he believed that he would not be able to rest until his license had been taken away."

"The young man is broken down mentally from worry, though he is in good physical condition. I shall forward the license at once to the secretary of state, with Emmerich's request."

"Emmerich is the only support of his mother, who lives with him on

Sixty-fifth street, near First avenue. We have got a job for him in a knitting mill in Brooklyn. He will try to forget the accident, and through his knowledge of machinery to make something of himself."

Rancher Has 21 Children.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Feb. 19.—Henry Tyson, a rancher living in the vicinity of Drew, in Southern Douglas county, is the father of 21 children. The youngest is a girl 16 years old. Sixteen of the children were born to Mr. Tyson's present wife. Mr. and Mrs. Tyson have lived in Douglas county for many years. It is planned to send a photograph of the family to Theodore Roosevelt.

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